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• A British hospital where doctors carried out surgery to separate conjoined twins said Tuesday that one baby girl had died and her sister was in a "critical but stable condition."

• Attempts to jail the fugitive son of former Indonesian President Suharto took another twist early Tuesday when he refused to surrender unless his safety

behind bars could be guaranteed. • Taiwan authorities have ordered the pilot and two co-pilots of Singapore Airlines flight SQ006 to remain in Taiwan indefinitely to help with investigations into the passenger jet's fatal crash in Taipei, the airline said Tuesday.

• Plaintiffs in the record-setting Florida smokers' trial are celebrating Circuit Judge Robert Kaye's decision to uphold the \$145 billion damage award.

• The U.S. Army will deny military retirement benefits to a colonel who admitted covering up his wife's drug dealing in Colombia and helping to hide the illicit profits.

• When U.S. President Bill Clinton and his Mideast peace team meet with Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak and Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat this week, they will not be focusing on ending the current cycle of violence in the region, but "looking beyond it," a senior State Department official told CNN on Monday.

• South Korea's third-largest automaker teetered on the brink of bankruptcy on Tuesday as creditors of Daewoo Motor gave unions until early Wednesday to agree to job cuts that banks have set as a condition of granting more rescue funds.

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JSU pulls off a big homecoming victory

•EDITORIAL• Why should we care about what our president did almost thirty years ago? •WEEK IN SPORTS• By <u>Gracie Catchings</u> News Editor

Every year Jacksonville State University Bookstore and Jacksonville Bookstore on the square have to deal with stolen textbooks. Apparently, it's a common occurrence for people to steal students' books and sell them back for cash.

"The police started coming here looking for stolen books," said Randall Stephens, manager of the JSU Bookstore. "We became concerned, so we started talking about how we can help students prevent their books being stolen, and if they are stolen, how we can help recover the books."

When books are stolen, the bookstores are put on alert. At the store on campus and on the square, the staff do their best to check incoming books for identifying marks.

"Generally when we have people call and report they've had a book stolen, we take down all the information—their name, what books are missing, anything we can find out about the book to identify it's



Local bookstores have been trying to counter the problem of students who bring in stolen books to sell for cash during the course of a semester. JSUPD officers encourage students to file a report if they feel their books have been stolen.

theirs," said Cindy Turner, manager of Jacksonville Bookstore.

Book crooks turning hardbacks into greenbacks

The stolen book situation starts about a month into classes, according to Turner. The end of the semester is also prime time to sell stolen books, Stephens said. That is when people can get the most money for the books.

The books that come in are.

scanned and checked for identifying marks. However, Stephens and Turner add that it's hard to check for stolen books when things get hectic at buy-back time. Students who get their books stolen need to file a report with University Police who handle the situation if the books are recovered.

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New ticket policy may have graduating Seniors picking favorites

By <u>Gracie Catchings</u> News Editor

The crowds push forward against the shaky railings and pile up 30 feet deep. People fight for standing room only and crane their necks to see above the throng. This is not the latest Pearl Jam concert; it's graduation at Jacksonville State University.

In order to prevent fire marshal warnings, Faculty Senate President Dr. Kelly Gregg said, each graduating student would receive 10 tickets in the mail to distribute among friends and family. Although Gregg said it's nice to see people from the community attend graduation, he's not sure if it's really necessary.

"Last graduation, in the faculty

section, a guy came in and sat next to me. He had a dirty shirt on and jeans and had a hot dog and half a Diet Pepsi with him. He was obviously just killing time. I don't know if those people need to come anyway.

"People on the railings were being pushed from behind and some were very scared they were going to go over the railings. The faculty had trouble getting in the building. People were packed around the entrance and were sitting on the steps and floors. This year we're so scared someone's going to get hurt. We decided we needed to look into it."

The Faculty Senate looked at the number of graduating students and

decided 10 was a fair number of tickets for each student. However, the registrar's office is very accommodating to students who need more.

"We request that if people are not using all 10, they turn them in to Bibb

Graves, and they can be distributed to other people," said Gregg.

There is a waiting list in the registrar's office for students in need of more tickets, according to Kathy Cambron, Chairwoman of the Commencement Review Committee. At the end of the month, the list will be reviewed to determine who is in greatest need of tickets.

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JSU thespians will attempt to let Hamlet be or not be name 3

Two JSU professors participate in exchange program with China's Wuhan University By Jamie M. Eubanks

JSU News Bureau

Two of Jacksonville State University's professors recently traveled to Wuhan, China, to visit and lecture at one of the leading Chinese universities.

Wuhan University is located in the Province of Hubei in Central China. It is also near the Three Gorges Area. The Chang-Jiang River flows through the three gorges. This river will be dammed up in only a few years to provide much needed electricity for the area. However, the Three Gorges will be completely flooded and impassible for tourists.

Dr. Cole Benton, professor of biology at JSU, got to see this dam in its final stages. "The dam is comparable to TVA and the Hoover Dam." He also got to see Mulan Lake, like in the Disney movie Mulan. Dr. Benton also visited the Shennong-jia Preservation. This is the best preserved temperate forest in China. By visiting, Benton was inspired to help research some of the plants and animals that call the forest their home.

Dr. Chi Chin Chao, associate professor of math and computer science at JSU, also experienced some of the sights. Dr. Chao was able to visit a historical monument from a revolution that started in 1911. The monument was dedicated on the spot where the first shot was fired to begin the revolution.

Despite the "tourism" of the trip, the favorite part for both professors was meeting with the students and faculty at Wuhan. Because Chao is of Chinese descent, he needed no translator. This case is not true for Dr. Benton. "The people were so kind," commented Benton. "Translators just popped up whenever I needed one, even in stores." Both professors staved in the fac-

Both professors stayed in the faculty dorms while in China. Most of

Campus Crime

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- Items in the Campus Crime Docket are obtained from incident and arrest reports at the JSU Police Department.
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- If any information is incorrect, please contact us at 782-5701 or call the JSU Police Department at 782-5050.

10-30-00: Angela Baldwin Lanier, of Cedar Bluff, Ala., reported theft of lost property to JSUPD at Stephenson Center occurring between 10-27-00 and 10-30-00.

11-2-00: Joel Erdman Schendel, of Jacksonville, Ala., reported breaking and entering a vehicle to JSUPD at Stephenson Center occurring on 11-2-00. 11-2-00: Christopher Randall Craft, of Talladega, Ala., reported breaking and entering a vehicle to JSUPD at Dixon Hall occurring between 11-1-00 and 11-2-00. 11-3-00: Michael Andre Barnwell, of Jacksonville, Ala.,

reported third degree assault to JSUPD at the parking lot at Mountain St. and Cole Dr. occurring on 11-3-00.

11-4-00: JSUPD reported third degree criminal mischief at the UPD parking lot occurring on 11-4-00.

11-4-00: Christopher Odell, of Jacksonville, Ala., reported criminal mischief to JSUPD at the field behind Paul Snow Stadium occurring between 11-3-00 and 11-4-00.

11-4-00: JSUPD reported criminal mischief at Mason Hall occurring on 11-4-00.

Clubs And Organizations

Zeta Tau Alpha

Congratulations to the new E. C.! President- Stacy Cross, 1st Vice President- Jency Sharp, 2nd Vice President-Emily Williams, Membership Chairman- Amanda Warren, Secretary- Mandi McQueen, Treasurer- Candace Calhoun, Ritual Chairman- Meredith Barnes, Historian/Reporter- Stephanie Janis, and Panhellenic Delegate-Leigha Cauthen. PC member of the week- Leslie Perkins. Happy B-day to Michelle Bowen. We enjoyed doing homecoming with ATO. Congratulations to Ginny Wyatt on becoming Homecoming Queen. Just a reminder that our Fun Run for breast cancer is this Saturday at 8:30. It starts at the Stone Center and the entry fee is \$10. Phi Mu

Phi Mu would like to congratulate the Gamecocks on their awesome win against Northwestern State! Good luck this weekend. Go Gamecocks! Congrats to JSU's Homecoming Queen, Ginny Wyatt! Congrats to Sigma Phi Epsilon and Alpha Xi Delta on winning the yard display, and the BCM on winning the float competition. Congrats to Phi Mu and Delta Chi for winning the Banner competition! Good luck to Phi Mu's volleyball team today! Phi Mu wants to thank Alpha Xi for the Risk Management seminar, and is excited about participating in ZTA's Fun Run on Saturday. Phi Mu's newly elected officers for the year are as followed: Pres.-Katie MacTaggert; VP-Tonya Roberts; Tres.-Angie Roberts; Sec.-Alisa Ahlansberg; Corresponding-Jenny Early; Membership-Tiffany Wood; Phi Dir.-Becky Sproles; Scholar.-Emily Powell; Panhell.-Beth Sproles. Congratulations ladies! We hope everyone has a great week!

Student Government Association

The Senate meeting was held on Oct. 30 on the third floor of the TMB. Bills were passed to allocate \$200 to the Student Council for Exceptional Children, appoint Lara Mayben as Alternate Justice, and designate Terry Casey to administer the homecoming ballots and ensure their delivery to the elections committee. The minutes from the senate meeting are posted on the SGA board located on the fourth floor of the TMB.

Alpha Omicron Pi

AOII loves JSU's 2000 Homecoming Queen, congratulations Virginia Ellis Wyatt "Ginny." We would also like to commend the Gamecock football team for their valiant efforts on the football field last Saturday. Go Gamecocks!!!! We would like to offer our gratitude to the Brothers and associate members of the Kappa Alpha Order for an excellent homecoming week. Awards: Sister of the week - Ginny Wyatt, Positive Panda - Cheyenne Creasy, Thoughtful Sister - Ashley Rhodarmer, and Officer of the week - Reba Adams.

Alpha Xi Delta

Congratulations to everyone on homecoming, especially the Gamecocks for their victory!! We had a great time working with Sigma Phi Epsilon on homecoming. Thanks, guys!! Congratulations to Ginny Wyatt on being crowned queen. Good luck to our volleyball team. We are looking forward to our social with ATO. We would like to invite everyone to the Risk Management program that we are co-sponsoring with Delta Chi. It will be on Wednesday, Nov. 8 at 7p.m. in Leone Cole. We look forward to seeing you there. Our awards for the week are: Sisters of the week: Jessica Hess and Lisa DiMartino, Beary Best Bear: Lisa DiMartino, and Study Bear: Kelli Patterson.

Delta Zeta

Delta Zeta would like to congratulate all the new Panhellenic officers. Good luck, we wish you the best of luck. Fhank you to Alpha Xi Delta on a wonderful and informative workshop. We are very proud to welcome our newest members, Carrie McGowan and Amy Moore. You ladies did a great job. Good luck to the Delta Zeta volleyball team this week. Awards for this week are: support - Stephanie Bradford, twisted turtle - Casey O'Connor, new members of the week - Carrie McGowan and Amy Moore, faculty - Professor Wood, alumna - Sarah Barksdale, sister of the week - Stephanie Shirley

Announcements

• Free confidential HIV testing is available at the Nursing Center Clinic, at Lurleen B. Wallace College of Nursing and Health Sciences. Please call 782-5432 to schedule an appointment. Office hours are from Monday - Friday from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. and from 1 p.m to 4 p.m.

Applications for Orientation Peer Counselor are available in Room 201 Bibb Graves Hall. Requirements to become a Peer Counselor are: 2.25 GPA, 24 semester hours earned, have previously served no more than one year as a Peer Counselor, a strong desire to assist new students in their transition to JSU, and strong communication skills. Applications are due by 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 14 in Room 201 Bibb Graves Hall. For more information contact Eric McCulley at ext. 5278.

• The Student Health Center is currently administering flu vaccinations for JSU students and employees. The cost for the vaccination is \$10. Appointments will be scheduled for Monday and Wednesday afternoons from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Friday mornings from 8:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. Please call 782-5310 for an appointment.

The English Department Lecture Series will host a reading titled "Well Said, Old Mole: JSU English Faculty Writing Project Fellows Reading Original Selections" on Nov. 13 at 7 p.m. in Room 1103-A. For more information call (256) 782-5456.

 The Zeta Tau Alpha 5K Run for Breast Cancer Awareness will be Saturday, Nov. 11 at 9 a.m. at Hugh Merrill Hall on Highway 21 in Jacksonville. Trophies will be awarded 3 deep in male and female overall and 5-year age group categories. The entry fee is \$10 on race morning. Each entrant receives a tshirt. For more information, call 1-800-MY-YAHOO ext. ROAD-RACING or e-mail coosavalleyrunning@usa.net

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A new Queen is crowned



JSU's 2000 Homecoming Queen Virginia "Ginny" Wyatt stands with her father during Homecoming ceremonies at the football game on Saturday

By <u>Stephanie Pendergrass</u> Staff Writer

The votes have been tallied and a new queen is reigning over Jacksonville State University. Virginia "Ginny" Ellis Wyatt was crowned Homecoming Queen at the bonfire on Friday, Nov. 3.

The homecoming court finalists included: Virginia Ellis Wyatt, Lorie Ash, Destiny C. Barnes, Allison Eason, and Shannon Smith. The student body voted for all nominees on Nov. 2.

Miss Wyatt, 20, is from Pell City. She is a junior, majoring in computer science with a minor in math. Virginia is also a group leader for the Marching Ballerinas and is a member of Alpha Omicron Pi.

Virginia believes two factors aided her in her homecoming queen victory. "My sorority sisters were such a supportive group. I couldn't have done it without their nomination and their encouragement. And, of course, my family here at Jacksonville, the Marching Southerners and the Marching Ballerinas, were a tremendous contribution. I really appreciate all of their support."

Virginia has achieved many other

honors while at JSU. She was inducted into Omicron Delta Kappa Leadership Honor Society and serves as vice president of the chapter. She was also inducted into Rho Lambda Panhellenic Honor Society, was chosen as the treasurer for the Association of Information Technology Professionals and serves on the Chapter Relations Committee of Alpha Omicron Pi.

"My sorority has given me nothing but love and support throughout the whole election. Their response when they called out my name as Homecoming Queen was overwhelming. I think I received a hug from every member of the chapter. I love all of my sisters, and I feel so lucky to represent them as Homecoming Queen."

Virginia is grateful for this honor and stated, "I just want to thank everyone who supported me. I still can't believe that it actually happened. I wanted to run this year to get some experience for next year! I hope I represent the student body well. I also want to thank the faculty members who let me speak to their groups, especially Mr. Bodiford for letting me speak to the Southerners on several occasions.

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"After we determine what is taken and where it's likely to go, we like to touch base with the on-campus bookstore and the one on the square and ask them to cooperate with us to help get the books back," UPD Chief Nelson Coleman said.

UPD does its best to collect the books but cannot always trace them back to the thief, Coleman said. A third party is often involved. If the thief is determined, UPD gets an arrest warrant and charges the perpetrator with theft. Possible penalties include fines and expulsion from school, according to Coleman. The victimized student is reimbursed for the book as well.

The easiest way to guard against your books being stolen is to employ a few easy preventative measures. Brent Rohrer of the JSU Bookstore recommends putting identifying marks in inconspicuous places on your books. These marks will not affect the re-sell value of used books.

"My birthday is May 9," Rohrer said. "I would probably pick page 59, so I will be able to remember and do the same in every book."

Students should also be cautious about leaving books in their cars and on desks.

"They need to treat those books like they would cash," Stephens said. "They wouldn't leave \$300 in cash lying on their car seat or lying out on a table."

"I've seen so many car windows broken out, nothing gone except the books," Rohrer said. "Everybody here knows that's cash in your book bag. Throw them in your trunk. It'll take an extra ten seconds."

Everybody loses if a book is stolen, according to Turner. The student may not get the book back until the end of the semester because of the lengthy recovery process. In addition, the bookstores will often get the books back after they are no longer used. Even though the student is reimbursed, which Turner added is great, the bookstore loses money because it can no longer sell that book. the faculty that teach at Wuhan University live on campus with their families.

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Students were very eager to know all they could about the United States and what college students in the U.S. were like. "The Chinese students' academic days are very long," commented Benton. "Here in the U.S. this extra time during the day allows for creativity." Dr. Chao stated, "The faculty were very interested in meeting us and possibly coming to the U.S. for a similar visit."

Benton and Chao enjoyed their visit to the Wuhan University. "I would love to go back again someday," said Dr. Benton.

Any faculty who is interested in visiting the Wuhan University should contact International Programs and Services at 256-782-5674. International Services pays \$1000 for round-trip airfare, while Wuhan provides free housing and meals. Other options to house the graduation attendants are to hold graduation in Paul Snow Stadium when weather permits. In addition, the University plans to set up screens at various locations on campus so those unable to attend the actual ceremonies will be able to watch it live. Several local cable channels will also broadcast the graduation Cambron said.

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"I think it's a positive change that will make graduation more meaningful to the graduates," Cambron said. "A lot of people were not able to enjoy the ceremony because of the crowd."

Dr. Gregg is looking forward to the graduation ceremonies this year and loves a crowd except when it gets dangerous. He believes graduation will be just as exciting with the new attendance system.

"I don't think it will be a hardship for people. If people want to bring 50 of their closest friends, then we'll try to accommodate that."



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Local Scene



JSU students fight, act insane and talk to skulls in new play

By Christina Morrison Features Editor

William Shakespeare's masterpiece Hamlet is set to open at Jacksonville State University's Ernest Stone Performing Arts Center on Nov. 16 and will run through Nov. 20.

JSU's production will crown the 400th anniversary of Hamlet's original London performance in the year 1600.

Hamlet has been noted as probably the most famous play ever written. It has also supposedly been quoted from and made reference to more times than any other work of literature

Dr. Wayne Claeren, the play's director, said, "People say to themselves that this is such a famous play, so there must be something important there. And of course

when you look at it, it's there and you see it. If you're a director, you want to direct it. If you're an actor, you want to act one of the parts."

Although many JSU students have probably either read or seen Hamlet, Claeren advises that they take some time to come and see this production. "This is the kind of play that you like to see over and over again, because you always find something new in it," said Claeren.

The production's cast consists of many JSU drama mainstays, such as Fabio Pires starring as Hamlet, Jeremy West as Horatio, Shane Goodwin as King Claudius, Devon W. Bedooian as Queen Gertrude, and Casey Cox as Ophelia.

The casting choice of Fabio Pires as Hamlet adds an extra dimension of difficulty to the production. Pires is a native of San Paulo, Brazil, and his first language is Portuguese,

ires and John Dodson battle it out during Tuesday night

therefore he experienced special language barriers upon rehearsing for this role.

"Translating is the hardest part, because I have to translate every-

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Retail clothing followers and impressionable teens now have a new place of worship

By Christina Morrison Features Editor

Quintard Mall in Oxford has recently reopened with 31 added stores, which makes for promising shopping and job opportunities for Jacksonville State University students.

Among some of the new stores included are Dillard's, Gap, American Eagle, Victoria's Secret, Pacific Sunwear, Spencer's Gifts, Bath and Body Works, Gadzooks, Body Shop, Lorch's Jewelers, Footlocker, Lady Footlocker, Kay Bee Toys, Regis Hair Salon, Orient Max, Claire's Boutique, Electronics Boutique, Garfield's, Jewel Queen, Kay Jewelers, Kirkland's, Mastercut, Pretzel Time, Reed's Jewelers, Sam's Deli, Sbarro, Shoe Department, Sneaky Pete's, Things Remembered, The Original Great American Cookie Company and an Amstar 12 Theater.

These added stores were originally planned to be finished in the mid 1990's, but the stores located in the old part of the mall halted progress for fear of loss of sales. Once these stores were assured, planning for a bigger and better shopping center began again.

Many JSU students have expressed interest in better local shopping opportunities. There are no big-name shopping centers located nearby, so for

students to find the styles they want, they must make a trip to Birmingham or Atlanta. Although the mall has made a large amount of progress, some JSU students expected more.

"It's not what I expected it to be. I usually shop in Atlanta or Birmingham, and I'm still going to go to Atlanta and Birmingham to shop. They don't have as many stores as I thought. The food court is disappointing because there are only a few places to eat: a sub shop and Sbarro," said sophomore Rebecca Hunter.

Not only does the mall offer new stores, but also contains an Amstar theater. This theater has stadium seating which allows for a better view of the screen from any vantage point within the theater. It also boasts surround sound and movies on DVD-something far above what other nearby theaters offer. Movie tickets are \$6.75, a quarter more than Carmike or Plaza Cinemas, but many patrons feel that the theater is worth the extra money. because of its superior quality over the other local cinemas.

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Editorial

Might as well let all your skeletons out of your closets: Your opponents will find them anyway

By <u>Adam Smith</u> Editor

It's Thursday and the race has been won and a new man has been selected to lead our country into a new era. Better yet, this is the last editorial on the presidential race for me. Now what am I going to talk about?

Are you happy with the outcome? Did you vote? Are you happy with the way the campaigns were handled by all of the candidates?

Personally, I think we were all lucky enough to witness one of the most important political situations of our time. Analysts and pollsters called it the closest race in almost 60 years. And overall, I felt that the mudslinging actually took a backseat to the issues this time. However, there was one aspect of the race that reared its ugly head toward the finish line. What was it? It was the "I know what you did 20 years ago" strategy, and frankly I'm a little bothered by it.

A week before the big election, word gets out that "W" had a D.U.I.

in Maine back in 1976. Even worse, I was driving around town Monday morning listening to "Street Talk" on WDNG, and host Chuck Strickland starts talking about Al Gore, and how it was reported that he hung out with a biker gang, smoked marijuana and had "sexual relations" with a biker chick.

Are all of these allegations really necessary? Furthermore, how does anything in the candidates' admittedly tumultuous past factor in how we should vote? If you say it's a character flaw and neither "W" or Gore could run the country because of it, you shoulda put Nader in, huh? Well, you missed the boat this year. Try again in another four years.

I say that "W"'s D.U.I. was a lack of judgement made during a time that he admits he had a problem. Granted, he didn't come out and say he had a D.U.I. arrest when he started running, but given that his voter base is mostly made up of rightwing radicals who can't tell the difference between church and state, it was probably a wise decision to keep his mouth shut, and I can't really blame him. The fact still remains, what's in the man's past is in his past. I might not have voted for him, and wouldn't have voted for him if his was the only name on the ballot, but drudging up something he did during that time in his life was pretty pointless.

The thing with Gore and his escapades with the "Hell's Angels" or the "Nazis from Naches" or whoever it was, is new information, and and of this writing, I can't really find out much about it. I'm sure it was something that "W"'s campaign went searching for and found. If it's true, I say who cares? It reportedly happened in 1971, or so I understand, and Gore was a young man. We have a tendency to have a good time when we're young. We have a tendency to be idealistic and have a desire to meet new people, even if they are biker gangs. I would venture to say that if Al did hang out with a biker gang, they'll probably remember that and vote for him, unless they are convicted felons.

Earlier in the campaign there was a news magazine show that featured one of Al's college buddies saying that Al didn't just smoke marijuana a couple of times, but he smoked A LOT of the ganja. So? Who cares? It was college. I'm sure Al was quite the optimistic philosopher in his day, and I say bravo, Mr. Gore. Should he have come out and openly said how much grass he smoked

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in college? I don't see how it's relevant.

Bush hasn't made a bee-line toward a microphone to talk about how much cocaine he did, and that's a hundred times worse in my book. And all of the members of the Judge Roy Moore fan club had no trouble voting for him. Cocaine is bad, ok? I'd much rather have a Bob Marley fan (Gore) in office than a fan of Loretta Lynn (W). Which finger would you want on the Nukes button? The mellow finger of a tree hugger, or the crazed, fidgety finger of a coke-head. It's not rocket science people.

To end my rant, I didn't vote for either one. I proudly voted for Nader. Bush may have most of Alabama duped, but he didn't dupe me. Nader may be crazy. I don't know. He may be certifiable. He does have that "I haven't taken a bath in days because I've been up thinking heavily" appeal about him. He may be a habitual heroin user. but I don't care. I liked his ideas and that's all there is to it. And you certainly didn't hear any dirt on him. And I figure that it's either because he wasn't really a contender, or both Bush and Gore knew that there wasn't any dirt to be found.

But it's all over now, and I hope you, America, are happy with your cheite. You'll have to live with it for the next four years. Four years. Four years. Vote Green in 2004!



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Thank You, The Editorial Staff





I have a journalistic dilemma, but I'm not much of a journalist, so therefore, it's really not much of a dilemma in that respect. Yet it is a moral dilemma, and I strive to be a moral man. I don't want to ruin anyone's life.

So what is my dilemma?

Wednesday night, Nov. 1, during a kick-ass Thompson Brother's performance at Brothers Bar, an elected official, and University and student representative, showed his/her drunken (due to legal matters, I have to clarify—appearing to be drunk to me), foolish ass. So do I tell you, University members, about how our leaders behave, or do I just keep my mouth shut, sweep it under the rug, and let this little school continue to sink into the cesspool of hypocrisy known as Jacksonville, Ala.?

I've slept on it, drank on it, smoked it, and have finally decided to tell you about it. But due to questions surrounding certain legal matters that could get me and affiliates of *The Chanticleer* in deep do-do, I cannot refer to this person by name or even by his/her title, but I can say that it was an elected official (not a senator) of the Student Government Association at Jacksonville State University. From here on out I will refer to this person as "Cock," for Gamecock, and also as "it."

So what exactly did Cock do?

Cock stumbled into Brothers Bar on Nov. 1, drunk (appearing drunk to me) off its ass. And it knew that I was there, because it walked right past me, among other heads of student media, and shoved Features Editor Christina Morrison on its way by.

Cock knows I got no love for it or its lackeys. In fact, Cock should have been on three times its best behavior because it probably saw three of me as it stumbled along.

Anyway, a certain chain of events unfolded, starting with a drunken (appearing drunk to me), immature student who decided to get on stage with the band. The band, and the audience, obviously did not appreciate his antics, but everyone handled it with class and humor. This is when Cock decided to grab its piece of the limelight.

After members of the audience removed the drunken (appearing drunk to me) student from the stage, Cock jumped on stage (I guess thinking the concert was one of its lame karoake nights) to an immediate rush of boos from the audience who came to see The Thompson Brothers, and not Cock or the other drunken (appearing drunk to me) student.

Cock responded to the crowd's disapproval by saying, "Shut up! I run this show! This is my show! Shut up!" Not exactly how I want to be represented, how I want my University to be represented, nor what I want to see and hear from my elected student officials.

Cock, this was not your show. But you did have the chance to bring us a show, which, after all your hard work, could have been your show. Then you could have jumped on stage

and said what you said, but I still wouldn't have recommended it.

If you would have just been drunk, fine. We're all just college students. But when you're an elected official, and you're drunk, and you show your ass, disrespect your constituents and misrepresent your school, then I think you've crossed the line and should be held accountable and reprimanded for your actions.

I don't think that this is the way our student leaders should be acting. I also realize that when I criticize our student leaders, the microscope is in turn focused on me. So what? What is my job? Who am I trying to be? Who are the people that I model my job after?

I want to be Jack Kerouac, who slowly liquidated his liver with a daily dose of booze. The ex-advisor to *The Chanticleer* called Hunter S. Thompson my patron saint. Role models for journalists and aspiring writers are a band of drunks and drug addicts. So go right ahead; look at me; I'm right on track.

Whereas Cock's role models should be the likes of Washington, Jefferson, Lincoln, a Roosevelt and Adams or two, maybe even a Wallace, but definitely not Ted Kennedy.

If the SGA isn't going to do anything great for the students, the least they can do is represent us, be on their best behavior, and represent our University with class.

I want the SGA to know that I'm watching, and that I hold them to a certain set of standards that they are not meeting. I want anyone planning on running for office next year to know that I will still be here, and that I will still be watching. I want future SGA members to know that you don't take the job just so you can put it on a resume. You take the job so you can represent and better your University while in office.

This is my resolution, for what it's worth. I think the SGA should take it a little more seriously than their little BS resolution against the UPD—a police department that I, and the majority of students I've talked to, have absolutely no problem with.

And one more thing, Cock, if you ever attain an office in the future, have a similar track record as you do now, yet decide to pull a similar stunt to what you pulled at Brothers Bar on Nov. 1, I will guarantee that the next columnist who writes about you won't be as lenient as I have been.



• KNOCK, KNOCK, WE'RE LOOKING FOR ... HEY, IT'S HIM! Dexter Mathis, convicted of receiving the ill-gotten proceeds of a bank robbery and sentenced to 20 months in a federal prison in Atlanta, managed to convince Pierre Carlton to go to jail in his place. Carlton did Mathis' time, but, with only 50 days left to go, he escaped. Authorities, unaware that Carlton was substituting for Mathis, went to Mathis' home to see if any family members had heard from him. Mathis answered the door. He must now do the 20 months plus whatever he gets for fleeing to avoid incarceration.

• AH, HOME SWEET HOME, WHAT THE ...!? A Sacramento sheriff's deputy was sent to seize a home — in the posh gated community of Rancho Murieta — of a couple going through a divorce. He changed all the locks, and posted a sign that the house was now "the property of the United States government." Alas, he seized the wrong house. The rightful owner discovered this sad fact when he went home and couldn't get in. It took him seven hours to find out what the story was, find a locksmith and get inside his own house. He was very angry. The authorities have apologized profusely.

• WE'RE PRETTY SURE IT WAS YOU, SONNY: A young nitwit and some of his friends had a night of fun in a secluded neighborhood in Sacramento, Calif., swilling down brewskies and blasting mailboxes with his brand-new pump shotgun, then fleeing into the night. When police arrived, they found empty beer cans, spent shotgun shells — and a receipt for the weapon bearing the nitwit's name and address. The cops went to his home where they found a street sign — stolen from the crime scene by the vandals — hanging on his wall. He was arrested.

• ATTA BOY, GET THE DUMMY, CHOMP! Bill Jones was training his 65pound Labrador retriever to rescue a drowning victim, tossing a dummy into a lake in Bossier City, La. After the animal retrieved the dummy a few times, an 8-foot alligator crawled out and ate the dog. City Council member David Jones was not surprised. "We don't live in Kansas," he said.

• BIASED? WHY WOULD I BE BIASED? A female juror in Sicily, hearing a case against the local Mafia, has been having a secret romance with another Mafiosi who is on the run from police. She failed to mention this to officials who found out about it after the trial was well under way. Her boyfriend fled police custody after being sentenced to life plus eight years for murder and extortion. The 34-year-old woman says he is her "soulmate," but she admits he has had "a few problems with the law."

• PHILADELPHIA, Pennsylvania — On October 17, a pig flew on board a six-hour US Airways flight — sitting on the floor of the first row of first class. The airline is embarrassed and says it will never happen again. The pig's traveling companions convinced the airline that the pig was a "therapeutic companion pet," like a guide dog for the blind. According to an internal airline report, the animal got out-of-hand upon arrival in Seattle. It went running through the plane squealing and tried to get into the cockpit.

• TACOMA, Wash. — A 7-year-old boy practicing wrestling moves from TV did a flip from his bedroom dresser, missed the bed and bounced right out a second-story window. The boy landed on grass, suffering only cuts and bruises, "Sometimes it hurts to wrestle," he said. "I'm not doing any more wrestling moves."









Perched in the attic of a downtown Chicago bungalow are the members of Pinetop Seven, hunched over tiny organs and bowed basses, pounding on marimbas and scrap iron and drowning in the buzz of clarinets and harmoniums.

Theirs is a world of sonic schizophrenia-they exist on a plane somewhere between spaghetti westerns and free jazz and primitive American music. Throw in a traveling carnival with Tom Waits as barker and you may get the picture. But probably not.

Pinetop Seven's warped vision of music is a house of mirrors, distorted and whimsical and frightening and elegiac. There is a kind of awkward beauty to that chaos, and, on Home the Last Great Strike," they finally reach the heights that their albums have always hinted at.

Here Pinetop Seven is stripped bare---only members Darren



Bringing Home the Last Great Strike

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Richards and Ryan Hembrey remain-but sparser and more ornate than ever before. The absence of Charles Kim, who dominated their last efforts, is hardly felt: the duo still piles on layer after layer of unusual and intriguing instruments via multiple-track tape machines (and still records exclusively in their attic). Guests show up randomly to contribute horns and reeds, but when Richards and Hembrey are left alone, they are most powerful.

The album opens with a cascade of big, atmospheric tunes; they move from the strangely beautiful falsettos of "On the Last Ride In" to the slow, funereal "A Black Eye to be Proud Of" and the vaguely Mexican-flavored "Ten Thousand to Carlisle Came." The evocative titles are merely glimpses of the surreality that Pinetop Seven so perfectly captures. Darren Richards' odd. rangy voice slurs through waves of violins and bugles, vibes and slide guitars, his lyrics cryptic but somehow capable of familiar emotion.

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The second half of the album (and it is neatly divided by a brief, humming instrumental) is almost exclusively Richards and Hembrey, playing at times 11 instruments between them. These songs are fascinating and mysterious, yet are more accessible than previous albums. "Mission District" is a rickety acoustic piece that spills over a sawed cello and quivering organ swirls. "Amateur Night" finds its way into Tom Waits territory, marimbas and vibes blurring rhythmic tones into a fierce march. "A Friend to the Minnesota Strangler" is the albums's finest song-the two pour flutes and nylon string guitars into a brew made insanely propulsive by a rattling skillet. And, with another mournful instrumental ("Buriend in St. Cloud") the album ends, hanging dusk over a dimly unsettling landscape.

Pinetop Seven, an orchestra of found sounds an junk-store instrumentation, has discovered that the avant-garde needn't be deliberately bizarre or inaccessible. "Bringing Home the Last Great Strike" could come from nowhere but an attic, where dusty treasures go unnoticed and overlooked. Maddeningly original music.

By Graham Smith

What's your sign?

By Linda C. Black Tribune Media Services

Today's Birthday (Nov. 9). Expect lots of action this year. Once you make up your mind, nothing will stop you. Do that first in November. An explosion that might have derailed you is easily managed in December. Others wonder how you put up with the chaos in February. You have a hidden advantage in April when you need it most. By May you're beginning to emerge, but is that the old you? The reward comes around June, and it's well-earned. Step out in July, and by October you will have impressed even yourself. To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

• Aries (March 21-April 19) - Today is an 8 - Communication with people who are far away should go well. The problem you dealt with yesterday could finally get solved. Travel looks good, especially if romance is involved. It's also a good day to gather information.

• Taurus (April 20-May 20) - Today is a 5 - Don't talk much about what you're doing, but go through your closets. Work's involved, but something you've stashed away could be worth more than you thought. Some of the rhinestones in that box of junk might be real diamonds.

• Gemini (May 21-June 21) - Today is a 5 - Is somebody nagging you to join a gym? If so, full speed ahead. An exercise program that involves a group is the best one for you to join. This won't be easy, but just remember - no pain, no gain!

• Cancer (June 22-July 22) - Today is a 6 - An older person's trying to talk you into taking on more responsibility. More money doesn't seem to be involved, so you're resisting. Don't settle for a deal that won't be good for you. Being nice is OK, but don't be a doormat.

• Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) - Today is a 7 - Love works out well tonight, but you're stuck at home. How about letting the other person be the aggressive one this time? You can be passive for a change. You might like it. Try something different.

• Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - Today is a 6 - You might find the perfect thing on sale. It might be slightly damaged, but there's a huge savings. Don't just check the big ads; look on the bulletin boards at the grocery store, too.

• Libra (Sept. 23-Oct 22) - Today is a 7 - You're learning quickly now and making a good impression on somebody. The two of you may be quite different, but there's a definite attraction. You may not have much money to spend on romance, but you have an active imagination. That's better.

• Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) - Today is a 6 - A rush order's coming in. The money's good. Ask for overtime or double-time pay. The customer's desperate enough to pay what you're worth. Stay calm.

• Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) - Today is a 7 - Your unusual idea needs a little work but will succeed. Input from a person you admire helps you solve a technical problem. Set your romantic worries aside this weekend. Your date isn't as concerned about your imagined shortcomings as you are.

• Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) - Today is a 6 - Dig for buried treasure. That item you've been saving to fix up will be the perfect thing. It'll take a little work, but that's OK. When you get it done, it'll be much better than anything else, for the purpose you have in mind. Make time.

• Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) - Today is a 6 - A friend could teach you something that will boggle your brain. It'll shake up reality as you know it. Get together with the person who's most likely to do that. Talk about wild and crazy things and stretch your mind a little further.

• Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) - Today is a 6 - Negotiate the cold, hard cash. Ask for payment for work already done, or something you're considering doing. Travel or relocation may be necessary, but that's OK. If this will get you closer to your dreams, go for it.





If a person were to try to group together all the elements of a great rock band, they would undeniably have to list great, tuneful songs as a top priority. Those songs would have to have great melodical and lyrical ideas, as well as great musicianship by all who play on the songs. That being said, few current bands come closer to the spirit of rock and pop than do Thompson Brothers Band.

The band's latest release, "The Late Late Show," is a constant rush of energy and tunefulness, played and sung with skill and soul. Originally recorded in 1999, record company disputes have kept the album out of the mainstream, unfortunately robbing everyone of one of the best albums to be released by anybody in a while. However, the band has been touring constantly promoting their music, and selling their CD's at their shows the old-



fashioned way. (That being said, I just picked up the album last week at their Brothers show. So if it's new to me, it's got to be new to you.)

Being a three-piece band, the guys augment their sound with banjo, electric piano, organ, horns and even a string section.

Opening with "Hit Me Hard," the band sets their agenda-driving guitar, mixed with fine vocal performances from bassist Mike Whitty, and brothers Andy and Matt Thompson. While "Hit Me Hard" may begin their agenda, it also begins a confusing classification problem with the band. While instrumentally the guys plug away at tuneful riffs and more hooks than a tackle box, their mixture of pop and "y'alternative" brings an effervescence that's hard to pin down.

"Fallin' In" and "Ain't Got No Reason" are the hardest rockers on the album and the latter would probably be a huge mainstream hit if radio stations caught on to it. The same could be said of "Wanderlust" which is a heartfelt pop number with an undeniable rock edge. The song also features the great lyrics and harmonies thanks Matt to Thompson and Whitty.

"Out of It," the only song the band didn't write, is a beautiful song filled with lush strings and a poignant vocal performance by Andy Thompson. "Come **Down**" is the album's other ballad and remains pretty without being overexceedingly syrupy.

"Now" and "No No No" add a needed touch of fun to the proceedings which only goes to prove that these guys are all about having fun. Too many artists out there take themselves too seriously. These guys just want to have a good time and be heard.

My advice: This album is better than anything on mainstream radio right now. I strongly advise anyone with a love for rock and roll at its purest form to go to www.thompsonbrothers.com and purchase this album as soon as possible. Or, you can request songs from the album on 92-J. If you don't have this album in your collection by the end of the year, you're just a loser.

By Adam Smith

JSU fraternities and sororities step, step, step to the rhythm



First place winners Alpha Phi Alpha stomped out the competition in Saturday's Step Show. Delta Sigma Theta also took home first place honors in the female category.

By Adam Smith Editor

Pete Mathews Coliseum was the scene Saturday night as nine

Jacksonville State University sororities and fraternities competed in a Homecoming Step Show. The event, sponsored by

Multicultural Affairs, was deemed a success by David Zeigler, Director of Multicultural Affairs, Proceeds from the show went back into JSU, according to Zeigler.

Zeigler also said roughly 11 hundred students were on hand for the show, which got underway following Saturday's football game. And while Zeigler was happy with the overall show, he would like to see 'more white Greeks involved.'

"The next one is going to be bigger and better," said Zeigler. "There will be more prize money next time." This year, first place fraternities and sororities were awarded \$300 for first prize.

Zeigler added that the step show is important because "it brings more camaraderie" among the Greeks. "I think it was a huge success," said Zeigler. "We didn't have any incidents of violence at all. We had a good crowd, and I think that's what Homecoming should be aboutschool spirit.

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"I thought it (the mall) was pretty good. I'll be glad when they get the other stores put up. I really liked the movie theater. I went last Friday with a free ticket and it was awesome," said senior Marsha Hanners

Despite the many opportunities available for JSU students to part with their cash at Quintard Mall, students can also earn a few bucks by working at one of the many new stores. In just a single trip to the mall, a visitor can observe many familiar JSU faces hard at work at their respective jobs.

"Quite a few JSU students that I know are working here, including me and my fiancé," said Casey Perritt, an employee at Lorch's Jewelers.

Bath and Body Works employee and JSU junior Eric Johnson said, "I really enjoy working here so far. The people are very nice, even when it's really busy. I think the mall improvements are a good thing for JSU because it keeps you from having to drive to Birmingham or Atlanta; there's shopping just right down the road. I think it brings an added incentive for JSU students to stay in town rather than spend their money elsewhere."

Students can still apply for jobs at any location currently open or ones coming in the future. Applications are available at the main Quintard Mall office.

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thing before I can start memorizing. That's how I spend most of my free time recently," said Pires.

The play has been interpreted several different ways since its original production. The current cast members have been exposed to these varying interpretations but must put those aside and focus on the current production.

"The play is very demanding on the actors. Fortunately, we have a very good, solid group of actors that

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Performance dates are scheduled for Nov. 16, 17, 18 and 20 at 7 p.m. and Nov. 19 at 2 p.m. Morning performances are also on the schedule to accommodate high school students. To get a seat, the public must call 256-782-5648 for tickets. MasterCard, Visa and personal checks are accepted.

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"X-Files" changes don't faze show's creator



By Luaine Lee Knight-Ridder Tribune

PASADENA, Calif. The creator of "The X-Files" always likes to shake things up a bit. Chris Carter, who will be helming the sci-fi thriller for one more year on Fox, says he doesn't mind that the show is changing.

"Everyone's afraid of change. Everyone says, 'That's what made the show work and that's what's great about the show.' I think, really, Mulder and Scully are the reason. David (Duchovny) and Gillian (Anderson) are the reason for the show's great success. But that doesn't mean that you can't threaten the paradigm, you can't threaten the model, you can't threaten the rela-

The status quo will be imperiled as a new actor. Robert Patrick, slips into the show, and as Duchovny eases out. Patrick, who's probabest bly known as the morphing T-1000 in 'Terminator

2: Judgment Day," plays an ex-Marine, ex-cop and FBI man. "Mulder had always been an outsider," says Carter, "the consummate outsider. We wanted somebody who was blue-collar, former cop, a man's man, and Robert Patrick came in and blew us away.'

Actually, Patrick auditioned for Carter two years ago, but wasn't quite right for that particular role. But Carter kept him in mind when he was thinking about the new season that will see Duchovny in only 11 of the 20 shows.

Though Patrick starred in movies like "The Faculty," "Wayne's World," "Striptease," it was his "Wayne's three-episode role on "The Sopranos" that really registered with Carter

Patrick played the wimpy owner of a sporting goods store who landed in hot water with the mob when he joined a high-stakes poker game. against Tony Soprano's advice.

"That was completely unlike the character he's playing for us," says Carter, "which showed me a tremendous amount of range on his part ... He had a great part in 'Copland.' This is where I really saw another side of him that was very exciting to me when I saw that movie."

When the series ended last year, Scully was pregnant and Mulder had disappeared into a spaceship. Carter says when he wrote that segment he didn't know if Duchovny would be back this season or not.

"So I had to write a sort of all-purpose season finale. And it was difficult, but it was a wonderful exercise, too. And it actually has set us up for a very interesting way to approach season eight. The entry of a new character, new blood, a new dramatic balance is actually going to be a really fun thing to play."

Patrick's character is named John Doggett. Carter explains, "The name 'Scully' is actually an homage to (sports announcer) Vin Scully. And I thought long and hard about what I wanted to name this new character ... I really go back to my childhood for a lot of my names. I've had a lot of high school friends call me and thank me for making them dead people on 'The X-Files.

"So I actually went back and thought about people I'd grown up with and names that I'd liked. . . all of a sudden it dawned on me that I was looking for a good, solid, working-class name. And the name Doggett came to me because every evening for a great part of the year, I would listen to the Dodgers with my mom and Jerry Doggett was always Vin Scully's co-host on the Dodgers. And the name came to me and, at first, I thought it might be too cute

and clever. But I liked the name." None of the original X-traordinary trio has a contract past this year. Will they be back for a ninth season? It's anybody's guess. "It really depends on us doing good shows this year," says Carter, "making the characters interesting, introducing new characters and whether it goes on with David and Gillian, Robert or whomever. I really only want the show to go on if it's going to be good."





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Gamecocks upset Northwestern State bled 34 yards for the first touchdown

Sports Editor

The Gamecocks ended a four-game losing skid, including three defeats by a total of 13 points, and halted a threeyear string of loses to Northwestern State University last Saturday.

It was a Homecoming game to remember as the Gamecocks defeated the Northwestern State Demons 28-24

JSU has an all-time record of 47-6-2 on Homecoming. They have now won three straight Homecoming games, with the last loss being to Nicholls State in 1997.

The story of the game was the performance of running back Rondy Rogers. Rogers rushed for a careerhigh 224 yards and two touchdowns. He had the most rushing yards by a Gamecock since Boyce Callahan's 275-yard game against Florida A&M in 1970

The Northwestern State defense hasn't allowed a 200 yard rusher in seven seasons.

"We wanted to upset them pretty bad," said Rogers after the game. "I've been talking to (offensive coordinator) Coach Slater all week, and he asked us to play our heart out and just take it one play at a time."

The Gamecocks jumped on the Demons early and took 14-0 advantage. Fullback Carlow James rum-

of the game. Rogers had his first touchdown midway through the first quarter

The Demons scored 14 straight points in the second quarter to tie the game at 14-14. Troy Sumarall scored the Demons' touchdowns, both from two vards out.

The Gamecocks responded with a 54-yard touchdown scamper by Rogers behind the strong blocking of the offensive line.

"I thought that we played physical said offensive lineman Sullivan. "That's what we today," Jeremy Sullivan. "That harped on all week long."

The Demons cut the lead to 21-17 on the ensuing possession when kicker Clint Sanford hit a 27-yard field goal.

The Demons took their only lead of the night in the third quarter when the ball slipped out of Reggie Stancil's grip into the hands of linebacker Kurt Rodriguez.

Stancil shook off any kind of distraction from throwing an interception and put the Gamecocks back on top 28-24 with 9:31 remaining in the game.

Demon running back Jeremy Lofton raced 76 yards on the kickoff after Stancil's go-ahead touchdown. But on 2nd-and-10 from the Gamecock 23 yard line, a holding call behind the line netted 14 negative yards and



Running back Rondy Rogers runs for yards in Saturday's win against Northwestern State.

eventually forced the Demons to punt the ball.

Northwestern State came into the game the second least penalized team this season. They were hit with a season high of penalty totals of nine infractions for 84 yards.

We battled and battled but we never took over the game," said NSU head coach Steve Roberts. "They have been a team that had been on the brink of winning a lot games and unfortunate for us they got over the hump today.

The Gamecocks had a chance to

pull to a seven point lead, but kicker Brad Hopkins had a 24-yard field goal attempt blocked with 1:32 remaining in the game. The Gamecock defense rose to the occasion with 40 seconds left in the game by denying the Demons on fourthand-one at the JSU 46.

"We just played hard, took care of the ball and had a decent kicking game.'

The football team will travel to Lafayette, Louisiana on Saturday to face Louisiana-Lafayette Ragin' Cajuns.

Rondy Rogers earns SFL Player of the Week honors

By Anthony Hill Sports Editor

For the third time this season, a Gamecock has been named the Southland Football League's player of the week. This time it's Gamecock running back Rondy Rogers who received the honors.

Rogers is a product of Minor High School in Birmingham. He rushed for 224 yards on 29 carries and scored two touchdowns to lead Jacksonville State to an impressive 28-24 victory over No. 10 Northwestern State University last Saturday.

"We knew he's been special for a while and I just hope this is something he can start to build on," said head coach Jack Crowe.

Rogers became the third running back in 30 years to gain over 200 yards in a single game for the Gamecocks. The last player to compile over 200 yards in a game was Boyce Callahan, who ran for 224 yards in the 1970 Orange Blossom Classic versus Florida A&M University. He also established a new JSU Division I-AA rushing record.

"I could not believe it when I heard the announcer say it over the intercom," said Rogers. To be honest, I wasn't thinking about the yards. I was paying attention to the score.

Rogers' 275 rushing yards was the fourth time a JSU running back topped the century mark this season. Callahan led the rushing attack for a Gamecock team that compiled 332 yards, which is the most since 1996

This is the first time an offensive player from JSU has received SFL player of the week honors. Defensive backs Delvin Hughley and Natarsha "Tot-tot" James earned the honors earlier in the season.

The Gamecocks travel to face Division I-A Louisiana-Lafayette on Saturday at 4 p.m.

Bowden guarded on prospects at Alabama

By Jav Reeves Associated Press

Clemson coach Tommy Bowden called Alabama "one of the top jobs" in college football Monday, but he wouldn't say whether he has been offered the position or if he's even interested.

Bowden has been frequently mentioned by fans and the media as a possible contender for the job at Alabama, where Mike DuBose was forced to resign last week. Alabama lost to LSU Saturday, guaranteeing a second losing season in four years.

Speaking to the Birmingham Quarterback Club, Bowden called Alabama "one of the top jobs in the country.'

"It has tremendous resources and the ability to recruit," said Bowden, a Birmingham native. But he would not comment on whether he had been offered the job or if he was interested in returning to the pressure cooker of life with the Crimson Tide.

Bowden said he was talking with Clemson about an extension of his four-year contract, but he declined further comment.

Bowden said Sunday that he could reach an agreement within "the next day or so," ending speculation about the Alabama job.

"I believe we'd be fairly close to doing something here which would eliminate that," Bowden said in Monday's edition of The Birmingham News. "I'd say in the next day or so we'll probably have something done here which makes it a moot point anyway. It's just getting that done."

Bowden's contract is worth at least \$825,000 annually, the newspaper reported. While Bowden was cagey about his own interest in Alabama, he said father Bobby Bowden of Florida State would have taken the Crimson Tide job in either 1986 or 1990, when Gene Stallings was hired to replace Curry.

"It was his dream job," Bowden said.



the Gamecocks talks into 'Thrill's" microphone this week in "One on One"

Basketball team looking good

By Anthony Hill Sports Editor

The Gamecock basketball season officially begins a week from tomorrow on Nov. 17. They will hit the road to take on the Alabama A&M Bulldogs. The team has looked really good in their first action of the year when they played against Team Georgia.

"We played pretty good in the first half," said head coach Mike LaPlante. "We executed well and played pretty good defense. If it wasn't for fouling and putting them on the foul line and giving up some inopportune second shots, I don't think they would've scored 20 points.'

Senior center Brant Harriman spent the summer enhancing his game at the Pete Newell Big Man Camp. "The camp helped a little," said Harriman. "I think that I was more dedicated and more focused in the off season.'

Harriman had a double-double as he scored 22 points and grabbed 16 rebounds. Five other players scored in double figures to lead the Gamecocks to a 90-74 win over Team Georgia in an exhibition game last Thursday.

Senior Jason Taylor tossed in 15, while Johnny Kilpatrick and exciting freshman Joshua Perry each finished with 13 points. Sophomore Josh Bryant finished with 10 points.

The Gamecocks opened the second half on a 12-2 run and led by as many as 29 points, 56-27, with 15:13 left in the game on a lay-up by Ben Moates.

Team Georgia cut the lead to 64-51 on a pair free throws by Kenny Smith, but could not get any closer. Team Georgia was led by John Nelson with 17 points.

The Gamecocks will start the season with games against Alabama A&M, Auburn and Kentucky. According to point guard Tim "Pinny" Lindsey, the team is ready for the challenge.

"This was the teams first opportunity against outside competition and I thought they handled it very well, but at the same time, we're not where we need to be.'

The Gamecocks will play another exhibition game tonight against the Basketball Travelers in Pete Mathews Coliseum. The tip off is set for 7 p.m.

One on One with "Thrill"



"My dad said that I learned to read by picking up the sports section in the newspaper."

By Anthony Hill

My guest this week is the type of guy that you would pass in the grocery store and say to yourself, "Man. I know that guy from somewhere." He is the type of guy that you would simply look at and right away know that he is important. Most importantly, he's a guy that I respect more than any radio broadcaster I know. Well, I only know three, but I respect him the most. Not because of how long he has been doing his job, but in the style in which he does it and the persona he maintains. Style is the key word there; because he has plenty of style. He's a slick, clear voiced, straight up type of guy, with all of the right things to say. He's none other than the "Voice of Gamecocks," Mike Parris.

Thrill: How's it going, Mike?

Mike: Pretty good. It was a nice win on Saturday so everything is real good right now.

Thrill: Your entering your 18th season of play-by-play for the Gamecocks. Tell me, how's the ride been?

Mike: Very good. It's been something that I've enjoyed tremendously. The last few years have been a little tougher than the others. During the Burgess years, it was a great ride, but I wouldn't trade a minute for anything.

Thrill: You've been here for 18 years. You were here through the championships years up until now. What has been the most rewarding event that you've experienced.?

Mike: Wow. I would have to say the 1992 season, with the national championship. Being a part of that after being so close in '90 and then again in '91.

Thrill: How much longer do you see yourself as being "The Voice" of the Gamecocks?"

Mike: As long as they let me have the job. People ask me that and I tell that I'm very content doing this. As long as their happy with me, I'm happy.

Thrill: What did you want to do when you were younger? You just don't grow up wanting to be the "Voice."

Mike: I wanted to play, man. I played basketball, baseball, football when I was growing up. Unfortunately, I was not talented enough to play in college anywhere. Thrill: What sport do you like to cover the most? You've got to have a favorite.

Mike: I don't know if I've got a favorite one. It's football season and I love it. When basketball season comes around, I will love it. Basketball is probably the easiest one to do. There is a continuous flow of action. Baseball, to me, is the toughest. Because you have so much time between pitches. I honestly don't enjoy doing anyone more than the other. Some aspects of them make them different.

Thrill: How about Rondy Rogers? He's turning out to be one of the great Gamecock running backs.

Mike: Coach Crowe kept saying that this guy is a playmaker. His first two years here, he was a fullback. The offensive line did a great job for him; he did some of it on his own by breaking tackles. It is the best individual showing of a running back since I've been here. Montressa had some great games throwing the football, but as far as running the football, that was the best.

Thrill: How long have you been doing play-by-play, Mike? Mike: I started in Carrollton, doing high school sports. Then they resur-

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J J rected the program at West Georgia college and I did it there. I started doing this in 1979, when I did a high school regional championship game. I ended up doing it over the phone. I will never forget that as long as I live

Thrill: Why did you choose radio? I think you could've been successful on television as well.

Mike: I like to paint a picture for the people that listening on the radio. I just like being the eyes for the people at a game that they can't get to. I've enjoyed doing television. It's just a different animal. I try not to be emotional and I hope that my excitement gets people more in tune with what's going on. **Thrill:** Do you have a favorite coach or team from past years?

Mike: Man, you are putting me on the spot now. (Pause.) I was a little closer to Bill Burgess than any of the other coaches. I was with him for a year or two when he was in Oxford. The radio station that I worked for linked me up with him in high school games. I just like the way he treated people.

Thrill: Do you have a most memorable moment here at JSU?

Mike: Wow. I hate to just pick out one. I will go back to 1992. I still see Eric King knocking down the pass against Pittsburgh State. (the fourth down play that iced the game.) The basketball team in 1985. Melvin Allen's 30 footer that won the game at the buzzer. Coming from seven down, to win the championship. That was before the three point basket. The 1991 NCAA national championship in baseball. Coach Abbott and the wonderful job that he's down. Hopefully, I will be here for his 1,000 victory; that will definitely stand out with me. That is really astounding that anyone can win that many games.

Thrill: Tell me the funniest thing that you've experienced since you've been here.

Mike: Probably when we were at Georgia Southern in 1992. It was Ray Hammett's first year as a color commentator and we had a ceiling fan that was pretty low. He jumped up one time and got hit with the ceiling fan. (Both laugh.)

Thrill: Who's is the greatest athlete that you've seen since you've been here at JSU?

Mike: Steve McNair. We played Alcorn State two years in a row back in 1992 and 93. He would literally run from one side of the field to the next. He would get away from our guys or we just couldn't get him down. It does not surprise me on the success that he's had in the NFL.

Thrill: Okay, let's do a little free association. Mike Williams. Mike: (Pause.) Probably glad that

he is out of a pressure situation.

Thrill: Rudy Abbott.

Mike: Rudy Abbott. Competitor that is not your typical coach.

Thrill: Joe Whittmore.

Mike: (Laughs.) Good friend. Likes to keep up with weather too much. (Both laugh.)

Thrill: Chris Berman.

Mike: One of the best. I enjoy him

a lot. **Thrill:** Bill Meehan.

Mike: Class act, tremendous asset and a huge plus for the university. Thrill: What advice would you

give to students with the ambition of becoming a radio broadcaster? **Mike:** Honestly, one of the best

things that you could do is get a newspaper and a tape recorder and tape yourself reading it. You can also use a magazine. Or simply turn the volume down on a ballgame and do the play-by-play. That is the best way to learn; probably better than anybody could teach you in the classroom.

Thrill: Thank you for your time. Mike.

Mike: Any time, man.

Soccer team falls in the TAAC Tourney

By Staff Reports

Injuries during big games usually benefit the opposite team, but a second half injury to one of its players seemed to be exactly what Georgia State needed in the opening round of the Trans America Athletic Conference tournament.

The Lady Panthers trailed the fourth-seeded Gamecocks 2-0 before rallying for a 3-2 victory last Thursday. Gamecock head coach Lisa Howe saw the injury, which caused a thirty minute delay in play, as a major factor in the Lady Gamecocks' season-ending loss.

"The injury definitely changed the momentum," said Howe, whose team finished the season with a 10-9 mark. "But we knew before the injury we needed we needed to score a third goal to secure the win."

Cecelia Lounder put JSU on the board in the first half with a goal at 33:18. Meghan Barker netted JSU's second goal off a deflection to give the Lady Gamecocks the halftime lead.

After the injury delay, Ashley Edwards scored for Georgia State. Moments later, Chandra Yorganson tied the game with her first goal at the 8:31 mark. Yorganson would add the game-winning score in sudden-death play after a breakdown in the JSU defense.

JSU Goalkeeper Adriana Finelli was named to the TAAC first team, while Jim Morton and Angela Tribble were named second-team.





A Sports Editorial By Anthony Hill

The entire season has really tasted spoiled for all of us Gamecock fans since the second quarter blocked punt by a Sam Houston State defender during the fourth game of the season. I can't help but wonder what type of season the football team would've had if we simply won that game. They have been so close to beating teams and we finally got it done last Saturday against Northwestern State.

Okay, here's the breakdown. We beat the former No. 1 team in SFL on our Homecoming and they beat Troy State. We put up 21 points on Stephen F. Austin and Troy only scored six points against the Lumberjacks. It's really looking like we have a valid chance at beating Troy State this year. It comes down to which Gamecock team shows up on Nov. 18, two weeks from Saturday. We have come so close to beating teams and just haven't finish them out. That was until the Homecoming victory over

Will the "REAL" Gamecocks please stand-up?

the Northwestern State Demons.

I know that a lot of people missed the game due to the rain or other circumstances. You not only missed a great win for the football team; you also missed the greatest rushing exhibition by a Gamecock running back in 30 years. The Gamecock offense also broke the school record for rushing attempts.

They piled up 332 yards rushing, including 224 on 29 carries by Rondy Rogers. The key to winning at home seems to fall into the hands of Rogers. The two home wins that we've gotten were in large part due him having great games on the ground. Rogers is only the third running back in 30 years to gain over 200 yards in a game.

"Sorry Boyce," said head coach Jack Crowe. "Boyce Callahan was the last back to do it. Thirty years is a long time to have a back play like that, but Rondy definitely deserves it. He's a special back."

Not to take anything from the superb running of Mr. Rogers, but the offensive line was knocking the Lumberjacks five to seven yards off of the ball to spring him loose.

"I thought that we played a real physical game today," said offensive lineman Jeremy Sullivan. "That's what we harped on all week."

The Gamecocks still have a shot at ending the season at .500 with victories over Louisiana Lafayette and Troy State. It all comes down to which players show up for the next two weeks. Sometimes it's the offense and not the defense or viceversa. We all saw what the team is capable of doing. We finally finished off a good team.

after the performance of Reggie Stancil as well. You are probably wondering what I'm talking about. Yeah, I know that Rondy was the man of the night, but how can you not respect the poise of Stancil. He threw an interception in the closing seconds in the third quarter and kept his cool and drove the team down the field as if nothing happened. That is good to know that you have a quarterback that is not easily rattled. The entire situation was kind of weird to me, because it was just a year ago around the same time that he threw a pick for a touchdown Georgia against University. Initially, all I was thinking was "not again." Another No. 1 team has come to J'ville and run

away with the victory. The difference in this game and that game was a complete performance by the offense and defense.

The defense also played extremely well during the Homecoming victory. The players made a lot of key stops. None as important than the fourth down stop in the final seconds of the game. Taylor Mitchell showed some greatness during the game. It seemed as if he was in on every play, especially the ones that went for losses. He changed his number from 90 to 40. Maybe that

was the key. As a matter of fact, three players changed their numbers going into last weeks game. Their were many players who stood out in my mind from the victory over the Demons. Players like Tommy Rice, Lamon Flint, Markee Coleman, Marcus Blandingburg and Jimmy Johnson all played key roles in the upset over Northwestern State University.

I just hope that the Gamecocks have at least two more games in which the team plays the way they did last week.





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